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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TOSHIO TSUJIMOTO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: MATTHEW J. SONG
SERIAL NO: 10/673,180 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1722
FOR: REINFORCING METHOD OF :
SILICA GLASS SUBSTANCE AND
REINFORCED SILICA GLASS
CRUCIBLE

RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 6, 2005.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the
Requirement for Restriction in view of the following remarks which appear on page 2 of this
paper.